

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA  
MINUTES FOR SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
OF  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1990  
AT 2:00 P.M.  
IN THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM - 12TH FLOOR

NOTICE OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
To Council Members Wolfsheimer, Roberts, Hartley, Pratt,  
Bernhardt, Henderson, McCarty, and Filner, members of the City  
Council of the City of San Diego, California:

A SPECIAL WORKSHOP of the City Council is hereby called to be  
held in the Council Committee Room, 12th floor, 202 C St., San  
Diego, California, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February  
22, 1990.

Said meeting will be held for the purpose of continued Council  
decisions regarding the 1990-91 City Budget. (Council workshop  
on the Council Committee System originally scheduled for this day  
will be rescheduled).

Dated February 14, 1990                      MAUREEN O'CONNOR, MAYOR  
CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor O'Connor at 2:05 p.m. A  
quorum was not present. A quorum was present at 2:10 p.m. with  
Council Members Pratt, Bernhardt, and McCarty not present. Mayor  
O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:

- (M) Mayor O'Connor-present
- (1) Council Member Wolfsheimer-present
- (2) Council Member Roberts-present
- (3) Council Member Hartley-present
- (4) Council Member Pratt-present
- (5) Council Member Bernhardt-present

- (6) Council Member Henderson-present
  - (7) Council Member McCarty-present
  - (8) Council Member Filner-present
- Clerk-Abdelnour (eb)

FILE LOCATION: MINUTES

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ITEM-600: ROLL CALL

Clerk Abdelnour called the roll:

- (M) Mayor O'Connor-present
- (1) Council Member Wolfsheimer-present
- (2) Council Member Roberts-present
- (3) Council Member Hartley-present
- (4) Council Member Pratt-not present
- (5) Council Member Bernhardt-not present
- (6) Council Member Henderson-present
- (7) Council Member McCarty-not present
- (8) Council Member Filner-present

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ITEM-601: DISCUSSION HELD

Continued Council decisions regarding the 1990-91 City Budget.

FILE LOCATION: MEET

COUNCIL ACTION: (Tape location: A015-E661.)

Motion by Henderson that all new tax increases go on the ballot, including those that have been voted on and to require a 2/3 vote of the electorate. No second.

Motion by Roberts to approve a basic budget, then go to discussion of new programs. Second by Henderson. No vote.

Motion by Roberts to direct the City Attorney to prepare language to put the retirement tax on ballot. Second by

Wolfsheimer. The vote was trailed until after public testimony.

Motion by Henderson to amend the motion that it require 2/3 vote of the electorate. No second.

Motion by Hartley to include the tree trimming in the basic budget. No second.

MOTION BY ROBERTS TO APPROVE THE BASE BUDGET OF \$492 MILLION AND TO ADD FROM THERE. Second by Filner. Passed by the following vote: Wolfsheimer-yea, Roberts-yea, Hartley-yea, Pratt-yea, Bernhardt-nay, Henderson-nay, McCarty-yea, Filner-yea, Mayor O'Connor-yea.

Vote on the motion as restated by Roberts to direct the City Attorney to come back with language to put on the ballot for an advisory vote to tax the retirement fund. Second by Wolfsheimer. Failed by the following vote: Yeas-1,2,M. Nays-3,4,5,6,7,8.

Motion by Filner to direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance approving a 5% utility users tax that will bring in \$21 million, increase business license fee for \$5 million, approve the retirement tax rate for \$20 million, reallocate \$2 million of TOT, and to direct the City Attorney to prepare language to put on the ballot the repeal of the refuse collection for \$12 million with a recycling incentive. Second by Pratt. Failed by the following vote: Yeas-4,8. Nays-1,2,3,5,6,7,M.

MOTION BY ROBERTS TO WITHDRAW APPROVAL TO RE-INSTITUTE THE RETIREMENT TAX RATE AS ACTED UPON IN THE WORKSHOP MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8, 1990, BASED UPON A MISUNDERSTANDING. Second by Hartley. Passed by the following vote: Wolfsheimer-yea, Roberts-yea, Hartley-yea, Pratt-nay, Bernhardt-yea, Henderson-nay, McCarty-yea, Filner-yea, Mayor O'Connor-yea.

Motion by Wolfsheimer to direct the City Attorney to come back with language that would be suitable to place the retirement measure on the ballot also with the utility users tax, the gross receipts tax, and the special tax increase for police services. No second.

Motion by McCarty to put the utility users tax on the ballot for \$21 million, the refuse collection tax for \$12 million and the reallocation of \$5 million of TOT to add up to \$38 million. No second.

Motion by Roberts to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for the budget to approve the increase in business

license fees for \$5 million, and to put on the ballot the retirement tax for \$20 million, and a utilities user fee at 5% for commercial and industrial, and the trash issue for \$12 million to add up to \$55 million. Second by McCarty for purpose of discussion. Council Member Roberts amended his motion to approve a 6%, instead of a 5%, tax on business and

industrial utilities users. Failed by the following vote:

Yeas-2,7,M. Nays-1,3,5,6,8. Not present-4.

Motion by Henderson to approve a 1% increase in TOT for Mission Bay Capital Improvement Project subject to a 2/3 vote. No second.

Motion by Wolfsheimer to go back to the Water Utilities Enterprise Fund to get funds. No second.

Motion by Henderson to place a 2% TOT increase on the ballot subject to approval by 2/3 vote. Second by Bernhardt.

Failed by the following vote: Yeas-5,6. Nays-1,2,3,4,7,8,M.

Motion by McCarty to direct the City Manager to report on his best recommendation for budget cuts of \$30 million. Second by Henderson. No vote.

Motion by Filner to direct the City Manager to prepare language to increase the business license fee from \$30 to \$60. Second by Bernhardt. Failed by the following vote: Yeas-5,8,M. Nays-1,2,3,4,6,7.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

By common consent the meeting was adjourned by Mayor O'Connor at 5:43 p.m.

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